a proposal for coal linkage.

(c) and (d) So far captive coal blocks have been offered to 19 companies in the private and public sector including power utilities of the State Governments for captive consumption for power generation and production of iron and steel. 9 companies have submitted their mining plans out of which 5 mining plans have been approved. Subject to legislative approval, it has also been decided to allot coal mining blocks to Indian companies on the basis of competitive bidding. The coal so extracted can be sold in the open market.

The Government has no proposal for providing any incentives for private sector in coal mining.

Trade with Germany

6632. SHRI RAMASHRAYA PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have fixed any target for trade between India and Germany during 1997;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any loss in import from Germany to India according to Indo-German Commercial Confederation;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether India has imported only machinery from Germany; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH) : (a) and (b) While no Specific target has been fixed for trade between India and Germany during 1997, bilateral trade between India and Germany has been increasing in the recent years and efforts are made to further increase the same. The Indo-German two way trade for the past few years is as under :-

Year	Indo-German bilateral trade	
	Rs. crores	US$ mn
94-95	12354.68	3934.79
95-96	17127.14	5120.62
96-97 (Apr. 96 - Jan. 97)	13926.13	3931.27

(c) No Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) and (f) 'Machinery' forms the largest component of India's imports from Germany. India's import of other products from Germany include chemicals and pharmaceuticals; iron and steel; vehicles; electrical and precision instruments.

Sonepur and Bazari Villages

6633. SHRI HARADHAN ROY : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether all the Land losers in Sonepur and Bazari villages have been rehabilitated so far;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the remaining six villages are likely to be rehabilited by 1997-98;

(e) if so, details of the steps taken in this respect; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Only 68 families living in Ruidaspara of Sonepur village have been rehabilitated.

(c) Villagers living in other parts of Sonepur and Bazari villages could not be rehabilitated due to their reluctance to shift to alternative sites.

(d) to (f) Out of six villages, Panjabidanga village will be shifted by 1997-98. The rehabilitation site for Panjabidanga in Ningah Mouja is being developed. The shifting of remaining five villages will be taken up later as they do not come within the mining area required by the project in the next five years.

Export and Import of Tea and Coffee

6634. SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total quantity of tea and coffee imported/ exported during each of the last three years; and

(b) the target fixed for the export of these commodities during 1997-98 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH): (a) The details of export and import of coffee and tea during the last three years is given below :-

COFFEE

(Quantity in tonne)

Year	Export	Import
1994-95	1,37,350	Import of roasted/decaffeinated
1995-96	1,70,990	Coffee was allowed only from
1996-97 (Provisional)	1,69,938	1.4.95 and negligible quantity of coffee has been imported so far.

Source : COFFEE BOARD

TEA

(Quantity in Million Kg.)

Year	Export	Import
1994-95	152.16	0.20
1995-96	163.65	0.46
1996-97 (Provisional)	162.86	0.86 (April-Sep. 1996)

Source : Tea Board

(b) The targets for export of coffee and tea during 1997-98 are as under :-

Coffee 1,70,000 tonnes

Tea 180 Mn. Kgs.

Weavers Cooperative Societies

6635. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) the number of weavers cooperative Societies in Gujarat at present;

(b) the details of the handloom goods manufactured by these societies during the last one year;

(c) whether any stocks have been accumulated with these societies and also with apex body; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA): (a) At present, number of Handloom Cooperative Societies in Gujarat are 1355.

(b) The Handloom goods manufactured by Handloom Cooperative Societies during the last one year are bed-sheets, towels, nepkine, bed-covers, dhoties, sarees, Pachhedies, Dhablas, Woollen shawls, single iket Patola Sarees, Tangails etc.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Annual Session of ESCAP Member Countries

6636. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether he has given any assurance to the member countries of the ESCAP of India's firm commitment to the economic integration of the ESCAP region while addressing the 53rd Annual Session of the ESCAP at Bangkok on the April 30, 1997; and

(b) if so, the nature of the help pledged by him for ESCAP region unification ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH): (a) and (b) No, Sir. In the Statement of the Commerce Minister at the 53rd Annual Session of ESCAP on 29th April, 1997, it was only mentioned that greater regional and sub-regional cooperation has become a necessity in this age of globalisation and regional coopperation is an integral part of successful globalisation. In this connection, it was reiterated in the Statement that India stands firmly committed to a greater role for ESCAP in the Asia Pacific Region.

Setting Up of Centres by Spices Board

6637. SHRI KACHARU BHAU RAUT : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Spices Board proposes to set up centres for the development and export of spices;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total quantum of spices exported and the foreign exchange earned therefrom during the last year; and

(d) the efforts being made to promote the export of spices ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH): (a) and (b) As per the Spices Board Act 1986, the Spices Board has